

Amendment and Response

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38. (New) The inkjet receptor medium of Claim 37 further comprising a pigmented ink image thereon.

39. (New) An inkjet receptor medium comprising a porous substrate comprising a multivalent metal salt coating and an anionic surfactant in contact with surfaces of pores of the porous substrate.

40. (New) The inkjet receptor medium of Claim 39 further comprising a pigmented ink image thereon.

41. (New) An inkjet receptor medium comprising a porous substrate comprising fluorinated silica agglomerates in contact with surfaces of pores of the porous substrate.

42. (New) The inkjet receptor medium of Claim 41 further comprising a pigmented ink image thereon.

43. (New) A method of using an inkjet receptor medium comprising:

- (a) placing an inkjet receptor medium of claim 1 in an inkjet printer; and
- (b) printing an image on the medium using inkjet ink.

Remarks

Claims 1, 16, 18-19, 22, 25, 29-31, 33-35 having been amended, claim 36 having been canceled, and claims 37-43 having been added, the pending claims in the above-identified patent application are claims 1, 5, 10-14, 16, 18, 19, 21-35, and 37-43.

Applicants' thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1, 5, 10-14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, and 24.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the claims in light of the preceding amendments and following remarks are respectfully requested.

The Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

Claims 22 and 25-36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Amendment of these claims to delete the term "inorganic" renders this rejection moot. This does not raise an issue of new matter as pointed out by the Examiner in the 5 October 2000 Interview Summary Record.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, is respectfully requested.

The Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 22, 25-34, and 36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cousin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,554,181). Amendment of these claims to include an anionic surfactant renders this rejection moot.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), is respectfully requested.

Interview Summary

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended in the previous interviews of 5 October 2000 and 18 October 2000 with Applicants' Representative, Ann M. Mueting. The Examiner's Interview Summary Records reflect what was discussed.



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Summary

In consideration that claims 1, 5, 10-14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, and 24 have been allowed, it is respectfully submitted that claims 22, 25-35, and 37-43 are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, Ann M. Mueting, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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